



# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **FILE # NRS17.033**

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Pursuant to Tennessee Rules, Chapter 0400-04-07, the proposed activity described below has been submitted for approval under an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit and § 401 Water Quality Certification. This notice is intended to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. No decision has been made whether to issue or deny a permit based on this application.

### **PERMIT COORDINATOR**

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### **APPLICANT**

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### **LOCATION**

The project is located in Sycamore Creek, a tributary to the Cumberland River, in Robertson and Cheatham Counties

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION / PURPOSE**

The proposed work includes commercial in-stream gravel mining on the applicant's property. This includes mineral recovery from two gravel bars on one parcel and another gravel bar on a nearby separate property. Where in-stream gravel mining is authorized by the Division, the following conditions prevail: excavation shall not go below the waterline at the time of excavation, a ten foot wide berm of undisturbed material shall remain between the excavation and the water, and established woody vegetation greater than 4-inches in diameter shall remain undisturbed.

### **POINTS OF IMPACT**

Sycamore Creek at the following coordinates:  
Latitude N 36.379104, Longitude W -86.951123  
Latitude N 36.379132, Longitude W -86.951208  
Latitude N 36.371434, Longitude W -86.982823

### **WATERSHED / WATERBODY DESCRIPTION**

Sycamore Creek is located in the 12 digit Hydrologic Unit Code 051302020202 - Sycamore Creek Middle. This watershed is within the Cheatham Lake watershed in Middle Tennessee and includes parts of Cheatham, Davidson, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner and Williamson counties. It is approximately 647 square miles and drains to the Cumberland River. For more information on this watershed or any Tennessee watershed, please visit our [TN Basins webpage](#).

**Ecoregion** Western Highland Rim, 71f

**Stream Name / ID** Sycamore Creek, ID TN05130202014\_1000

Designated Use	Use Support	Causes	Sources
livestock watering & wildlife	fully supporting		
irrigation	fully supporting		
recreation	fully supporting		
fish and aquatic life	fully supporting		
industrial water supply	fully supporting		
domestic water supply	fully supporting		

**Assessment Date** December 13, 2012

### DETERMINATIONS

In accordance with the Tennessee Anti-degradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06), the Division has made a preliminary determination that the proposed activities will result in no more than *de minimis* degradation to water quality.

### FACTORS CONSIDERED

In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the Division will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The Division shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration, loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impacts to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.

### HOW TO COMMENT

Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the Division. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced. Send all written comments to the Division's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator. You may also comment via email to [water.permits@tn.gov](mailto:water.permits@tn.gov). After the Division makes a final permit decision, a permit appeal may be filed by the applicant or by any person who participated in the public comment period whose appeal is based on comments given to the Division in writing during the public comment period or in testimony at a formal public hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

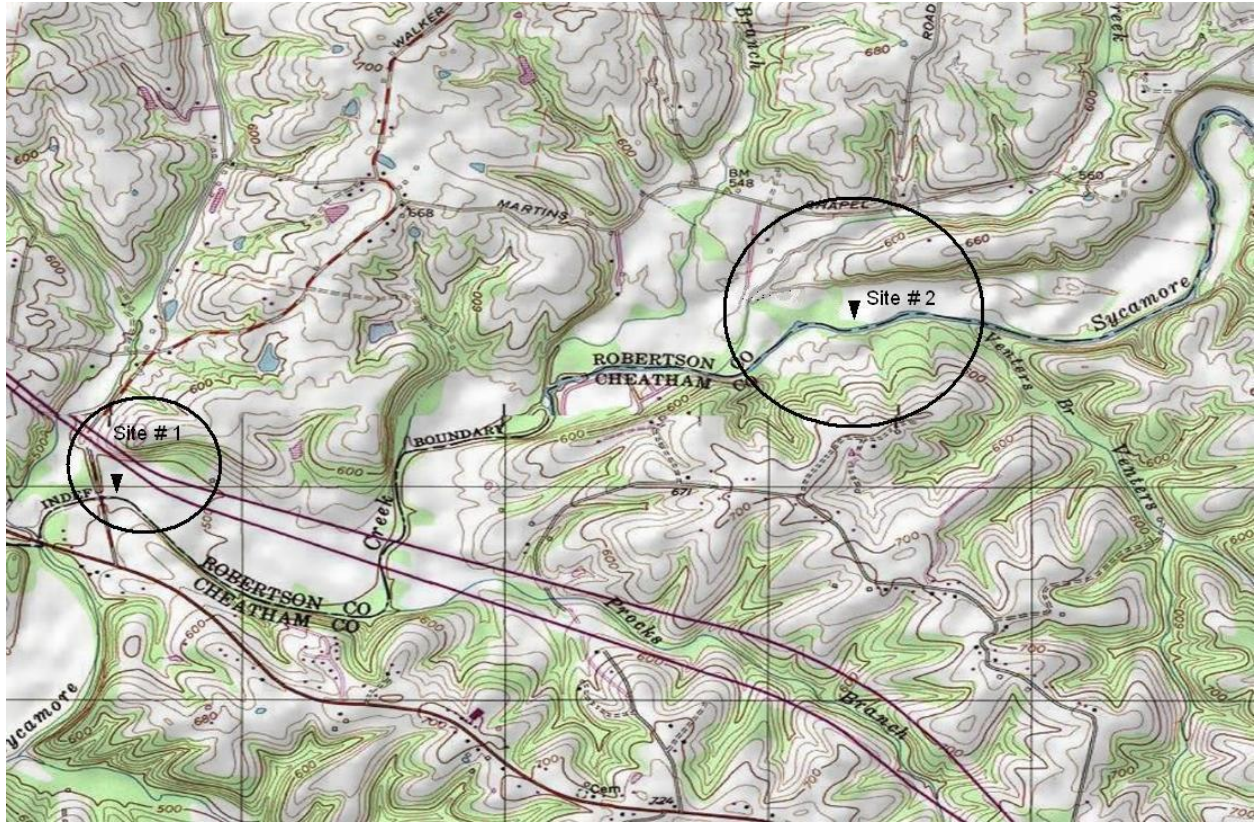
Interested persons may request in writing that the Division hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be received by the Division within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reason(s) that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the Division will hold a public hearing. Send all public hearing requests to the attention of the permit coordinator at the address listed below.

**FILE REVIEW**

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available for review on the internet at the Division's data viewer by entering the permit number listed in the title of this Public Notice. The file may be viewed in person at the Division's address (listed below) for review and/or copying.

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## LOCATION / TOPOGRAPHIC MAP / SKETCHES



## SITE DESIGNS / PHOTOGRAPHS



Site # 1



Site # 2



Site # 2